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HOW TO LOVE.

February Smart Set.

ALL GIRLS like to be loved, but they are not all alike, and care should be taken to discriminate among the many varieties.

In making love to an old maid, the preliminaries only are necessary. Give her a fair start, and she will do the rest. Remember that she is making up for lost time, and hold on tight, and shut your eyes. As long as she has taken the cue, don't fear the result. You needn't do a thing.

When she is young and innocent, with a frank, open work countenance and with no experience, get up early every morning and watch her doorstep. There are others on the same trail, and if you wish to be an active member of the club you must do your share of the work. If she accepts flowers and fruit readily, don't get too gay. This is only your privilege. And when you feel that you cannot stand it any longer, tell her so, and leave the rest to her. She will be your teacher. You needn't do a thing.

With a widow, be calm and unmoved in the face of danger. You are in for it, and don't get rattled. Sit around where you can be reached, and submit to everything. But remember that, so far as you are concerned, there is nothing doing. It won't be necessary.

If she is a tall, straight blonde, with lustrous eyes and a large, open smile, don't allow your feelings to overcome you. Do the right thing, and wait. She will see that you are well taken care of.

Or if she is any other kind of girl, it doesn't matter. Don't do a thing yourself. She will do the rest. No matter how slow you may be, have no fear of the ultimate result.

But be sure of one thing. Before beginning, get a million or so.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by Mrs. Augusta McElroy and estrayed before W. J. Redfearn Justice of the Peace Precinct No. one (1), Randall county; one dun horse about 14 hands high, about 10 or 12 years old, branded 7F with bar through it on left shoulder, having a big ankle on left hind leg. Also one bay horse about 7 years old and about 15 hands high, branded C on right shoulder. Appraised dun at \$20; bay at \$30. The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office, this 16th day of Jan., 1904. J. H. GARRISON, Ck., C. C. Randall Co.

By C. N. Harrison, Deputy.

Most people have about the same consideration for the man who continually traverses the town in an argumentative mood and persists in discussing to worn out listeners old thread bare issues and topics that have been settled centuries ago as the boy had for the dog in the good old days of yore when he frequently vacated an orchard or a melon patch and left portions of his raiment out of due respect for the canine's regard for the proprieties. This is not such an all-fired progressive age, but we "do move" some, even under the most critical circumstances.

Some enterprises that will help the town come of themselves; some for the asking, and others must be worked for. But with proper public spirit and enterprise there is no reason why all of these may not be 1904 realities. Public enterprise must not wait.

Just A Word About Hardware !!

STRINGFELLOW-HUME HDW. CO.

To those who have traded with us during our many years of successful business here, no words of introduction are necessary. Perhaps you do not know that we are offering in our line of Farm Implements the products of some of the most reliable manufacturers of Agricultural Implements in the world. Our business as it is today is too extensive to admit of our offering a cheaply made or inferior article in order to make a sale. Hence in dealing with us you will always find that our implements are new, modern, and of the Standard make and exactly as represented. Many of them are the very choicest and best that are manufactured. We invite your especial attention to our

Windmills=

A good windmill is a faithful and reliable servant upon which you can depend for steady work every day of the year, requiring no labor and very little attention. A poorly constructed windmill of cheap material and indifferent workmanship, constantly requiring repairing, etc., there may be low priced mills offered for sale, yet there is none that will cost less after 10 years of service than our well-known, well-tried "Eclipse" and "Star" mills. It is no experiment with us, but are the same mills that we have handled for years, with changes made from time to time to strengthen, simplify and improve in every way possible each and every piece and part. INVESTIGATE TODAY!

Harness and Saddles=

We have been selling Harness, Saddles and Horse Furnishings so long that we know what our customers want and we always guarantee that the buyer will be satisfied with what he gets. When we say it is hand-made, it is. A general repair shop in connection with our Leather Goods Department. Investigate!

LAST, BUT NOT LEAST=

We have always lived the motto: THAT NO ONE CAN UNDERSSELL US, QUALITY FOR QUALITY, in any line. By buying in such enormous quantities, we secure only the very best goods. Always improving, always growing, always giving our customers a little more for their money. Come in, get our prices and carefully inspect our goods.

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UP AND DOING.

Canyon City should not forget the lesson that every growing town must learn, which is that all growth depends on keeping something going on. The holiday season has long since passed and the business lethargy that in every town and city is accustomed to follow a few days in their wake should not be prolonged nor allowed to work over time. Canyon City should at once be up and doing, shake herself, and get ready for 1904.

Something must be kept "going on." What is being done to secure more of the trade to the south that is naturally tributary to Canyon City? Concerted action is what we mean. Outside of an effort on the part of a limited number of our business men, who is doing anything to bring this about? Leaders are what we want in this instance; the balance will have to follow. The enterprise that does not fall in line and furnish the necessary inducements will be left behind before the season is over. This particular proposition is one that stares Canyon City square in the face this present instant and it's about time this matter was being pushed. If you want evidence of this position it will be readily furnished. Some systematic, co-operative work in time among the business men of the town can command all of the trade half-way between here and the Texas & Pacific Ry., that is now being angled for by towns that have an eye out for business.

With the proposed Santa Fe cut-off in view what is being done to show this road that Canyon City is "on the map" and that this would be the best point on the line for permanent improvements?

And so other "enterprises of pith and moment" might be named. Canyon City must bestir herself. She must be up and doing. All things may come to those who wait but all these things are wanted right now without the waiting. Now is the accepted time. Will not someone give the ball of public enterprise and growth another kick in the right direction? Do it now; keep it rolling on.

Business Notice.—We have sold out our business to R. G. Oldham and company and specially desire that all persons owing us on account will settle up at once.

Respectfully,
J. A. WANSLEY & Co.

46 Hts.

An exchange perpetuates the following: "If men are the salt of the earth, women are undoubtedly the sugar. Salt is a necessity sugar is a luxury. Vicious men are saltpeter; stern men are rock salt; nice men are table salt. Old maids are brown sugar, good natured matrons are loaf sugar, and pretty girls the pulverized sugar. Pass the pulverized sugar, please."

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
The First National Bank
At Canyon, in the State of Texas at
the close of business, Jan. 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$151,012.74
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	9,609.81
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	50,000.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	3,059.15
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	10,534.88
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	9,489.78
Due from State Banks and bankers	1,111.32
Due from approved reserve agents	55,142.63
Cheques & other cash items	2,956.98
Notes of other national banks	1,800.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	42.20
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	1,979.25
Legal-tender notes	6,563.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5% of circulation)	2,500.00
Total	305,801.76
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	50,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	7,359.81
National bank notes outstanding	50,000.00
Due to other nat'l. banks	41,231.24
Due to state banks and bankers	3,735.44
Individual deposits subject to check	113,415.27
Time certificates of deposit	15,060.00
Total	305,801.76

State of Texas, County of Randall, ss: I, D. A. Park, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. A. PARK, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25 day of Jan., 1904.

B. F. BUE,
Notary public Randall Co., Texas.
Correct Attest:
L. T. LESTER,
J. L. HOWELL,
J. N. DONOHOO. } Directors.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by J. B. Knox and estrayed before W. J. Redfearn, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, Randall county: One bay horse about 15 hands high, seven or eight years old, branded 22 bar Turkey Track on left thigh and U on left shoulder, left hind foot U white and wire cut. Appraised at Fifteen Dollars. The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 23rd day of January, 1904.

J. H. GARRISON, Ck.,
C. C. Randall Co.
By C. N. Harrison, Deputy.

A PLAIN TALK.

There is no getting around the fact, unpleasant as it may appear to some, that the staple money crop of the South—the very staff upon which the farmer of moderate means must depend for his cash supply—is cotton. At times, of course, there is "no money" in cotton, but can we not truthfully say the same of any other product, stock included? The News could tell of fortunes lost in small grain farming and of money, lots of it, being sunk in the stock business, but these are matters known to all observers and for the purpose of this article the mention alone is sufficient.

Stock farming is all right. The two and four section man can make money on the plains provided he runs his place on business lines. Grain farming would likely also prove a success on the plains but in each of these avocations more capital is required than the average farmer can command and then again, a very important matter, there cannot be from the very nature of things, enough of these stock and grain men in a county to make one good town. To make it plainer, the News announces the proposition right here, that if Randall county is not and cannot be made a farming country we have about all the people in it now that are needed—more settlers would be too many. And we might say further, as did a citizen of Deaf Smith, in writing to "The Brand," "If we can't raise cotton here or some other staple money crop, several of us that are already here will have to move."

We are up against this proposition hard and fast, both country and town, and let us solve it like men having a proper regard for the rights of others.

In Severance, Kan., an ordinance authorizes the girls to pop the question, and requires the men to accept the propositions without a murmur. The world do move in Kansas. That ordinance is needed down this way. How about it, DAISY?

"MIGHT HAVE BEEN."

The other day after tucking the midday lunch under our belt where it would do the most good, the writer leaned back in the once easy chair, tossed his feet upon the desk, let his eyes study the ceiling while he indulged in a little calculation.

Just how long we sat there we are at a loss to know. Finally our calculations were disturbed by the entrance of a being; the form of a man was outlined before us; in his right hand he held a sheet of paper, and the lips of the man spoke unto us:

"Here is copy for an ad to be inserted in the News this year." Our eyes fell upon the copy and we clearly saw the letters, "R. G. O. & Co."—the initials of a general merchandise establishment down the street from this office. We hung the copy upon the hook and the messenger disappeared as silently as he came.

But another raised the latch and entered. We can almost hear his rich, baritone words yet: "Here's copy for an ad for you; give us as good space as you can." The nicely curved letters, "C. C. H. & G. Co.," smiled up at us, and we knew it was the new business in the brand new building that looms up so nicely even in a sand storm. "Click" went the copy as we pushed the ad hook through it. Vision No. 2 waddled off down the street.

Number 3 appeared. He had the appearance of an old-time friend we used to know, who was engaged in the general mercantile business. "Here," said the vision, "here's copy for a half page—"

He got no further. In reaching for that half-page, in some manner we slipped and fell from the chair and awoke. We looked for the copy.

Pshaw! 'twas all a dream! But it might prove a reality some time.

BURTON-LINGO CO.,

Dealers In

Fence Stays,

Lumber, Post, Doors,

Lath, Sash, Shingles,

Building Blocks and Mouldings.